UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

SCANSOFT, INC.,

Plaintiff,

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C.A. No. 04-10353-PBS

VOICE SIGNAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC., LAURENCE S. GILLICK, ROBERT S. ROTH, JONATHAN P. YAMRON, and MANFRED G. GRABHERR,

Defendants.

DEPOSITION OF PETER J. FOSTER, a witness called by and on behalf of the Defendants, taken pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, before Dana Ulrich Welch, CSR, Registered Professional Reporter, and Notary Public, in and for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, at the offices of Choate, Hall & Stewart, 53 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts, commencing at 10:13 a.m. Job No.: 2196

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3	CHOATE, HALL & STEWART, P.C. Exchange Place	3	identification of the deponent was noted for the
4	53 State Street	4	record.)
	Boston, Massachusetts 02109	5	WHEREUPON,
5	(617) 248-5000	6	PETER J. FOSTER,
_	By: Sarah Chapin Columbia, Esq.	7	having duly sworn or affirmed that his testimony
6	And: Paul E. Bonanno, Esq.	8	would be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but
	For the Plaintiff:	9	the truth, testified as follows:
8		10	DIRECT EXAMINATION
_	BROMBERG SUNSTEIN, LLP	11	BY MS. COLUMBIA:
9	125 Summer Street Boston, Massachusetts 02110-1618	1	
10	(617) 443-9292	12	Q. Good morning, Mr. Foster. My name is Sarah
	By: Robert M. Asher, Esq.	13	Columbia. I'm here with my colleague, Paul Bonanno.
11	And: Jack C. Schecter, Esq.	14	We represent Voice Systems Technology in a lawsuit
12 13		15	between Voice Systems Technologies and ScanSoft.
14		16	Are you familiar generally with that lawsuit or the
15		17	fact of that lawsuit?
16.	1	18	A. Fact of that lawsuit.
17 18		19	Q. Have you ever had your deposition taken
19		20	before, sir?
20		21	A. Yes.
21		22	 Q. Was it in a commercial litigation context;
22 23		23	that is, a lawsuit between businesses or some other
24		24	context?
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1 there's this continuum of what we're doing.

2 But it centers around the inventions that

- 3 we made that went into the McCaw cellular voice
- 4 dialing system; that was the trigger that caused us
- 5 to say, well, this stuff is now getting out. That
- 6 was a commercial product, you know, something that
- the average person I think would think is
- 8 commercial. We sold it. They put it into general
- 9 use among their wireless customers in Dallas, Texas.
- 10 O. Okay.
- 11 A. So we, you know, we thought we'd patent it.
- 12 We went back and looked at any number of inventions
- 13 that we had, figured out the ones that were possible
- 14 or let's say, the aspects of this that were possible
- 15 to protect with patent, with a patent law and dealt
- 16 with those in these patents. And the core of it is,
- 17 you know, voice dialing in this wireless
- 18 environment.
- 19 Q. Okay. And the patent counsel that you
- 20 referred to, was that Mr. Judson at the time?
- 21 A. David Judson, yes.
- 22 Q. Putting aside we'll get back to the
- 3 materials you've collected up for your patent
- 24 counsel. So putting those aside and focusing

- A. Ultimately, yes.
- Q. Okay. Was there any process at Voice

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- 3 Control Systems at the time that would have -- that
- 4 would be in a document sort of, you know, setting
- 5 out, here's the market, here's our strategy, please
- 6 approve putting, you know, X-amount of resources
- 7 over the next two years into this?
- 8 A. Well --
 - Q. Anything like that that I might look for?
- 10 A. I don't think so. We were, you know, a
- 11 small company. We had fairly regular weekly
- 12 meetings where we discussed allocation of resources,
- 13 but it wasn't real hard because there was only a
- 14 handful of us. And when you take the sales people
- 15 out of it -
- 16 Q. It's a small handful?
- 17 A. there were even fewer. It's kind of
- 18 like what are you doing today. My style is/was,
- 19 consensus building and we wouldn't have we had no
- 20 marketing person. So it truly was boot strap. And
- 21 we wouldn't have embarked on it had we not had
- 22 unanimity of belief that that was a good market for
- 23 the company. It was not sufficient for me to say
- 24 let's do it.

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- l instead on the collaborative work that you did in
- 2 advance of that to develop the invention itself,
- 3 were there lab notebooks or meeting notes or
- 4 engineering notes or anything of that sort created
- 5 contemporaneous with that work?
- 6 A. You know, I just don't remember. I didn't.
- 7 But my personality is such that I don't like to
- 8 write a lot of stuff down. I'm more of a sales guy,
- 9 in that aspect of things. So I don't remember any.
- 10 O. Okav.
- 11 A. And I know I didn't do anything, for sure.
- 12 Q. Okay. One of the things you said when I
- 13 asked what your role was in the development of the
- 14 inventions that are described in this family of
- 15 patents was that you I'm trying to think how you
- 16 said it. So I may not use the right words, but that
- 17 you were responsible for sort of seeing this market
- 18 opportunity or seeing it as a market that Voice
- 19 Control Systems wanted to try to be in. Is that
- 20 fair?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And I take it from your earlier testimony,
- 23 you would have been the guy who approved putting
- 24 resources into developing this technology, correct?

1 O. Okay.

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- A. At least that's not the way it was run.
- Q. Okay.
- 4 A. But I don't remember even if we took notes
 - at those meetings. I know I wouldn't have.
- 6 Q. Did the company have an e-mail system at
- 7 the time?8 A. Kind of. This was before e-mail, these
- 9 days -- well, no, no, not -- okay.
- 10 Q. Before modern e-mail?
- 11 A. That's right.
- 12 Q. Yes.
 - A. We had a local sort of system that was DEC
- 14 mail or something like that.
- 15 Q. On the Vox (sic) box?
 - A. Yeah. So was it e-mail, boy, that's a
- 17 stretch.
- 18 Q. Okay.
- 19 A. VAX.
- 20 Q. VAX, not Vox. Yeah.
- Okay. When you got to the company, were
- 22 their sales people? I hate to call it a sales force
- 23 in a 17 person company, but did the company have
- 24 dedicated sales people at that time?

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1	A. I think it was just myself and Gene Helms,	1	A. No.
2	Dr. Helms. And we, you know, Helms was - his title	2	Q. Do you know where he went after he left
3	was not sales. But, you know, where you're selling	3	Voice Control Systems?
4	engineering services, the best people to sell them	4	A. I don't remember.
5	are the engineers. I don't think we had anybody	5	Q. When were you last in touch with him; have
6	that carried a title of salesman at that time.	6	you been in touch with him since he left?
7	Q. Okay. As you, I think you called it	7	A. Yes. But it was soon thereafter.
8	broadened your horizons as a company to include	8	Q. I asked you some questions about what
9	product development as well as the offering of	9	documents there might be, lab notebooks and so
10	custom services, did you somewhere in that	10	forth. And I understand that you don't recall
11	development bring on sales people, you know, product	11	whether there were any. If there were any, where
12	sales type people?	12	would they have ended up after the Philips
13	A. Yes.	13	transaction; do you know?
14	Q. When did you hire your first sales people?	14	A. No.
15	A. Boy, I don't remember.	15	Q. Let's talk about the Philips transaction a
16	Q. Do you remember who they were, who your	16	little bit. That transaction took place in 1999?
17	first sales hire was?	17	A. I think that's right.
18	A. No.	18	Q. Did I understand you earlier to say that as
19	THE DEPONENT: Can I just make one joke?	19	a result of that, you had some employment
20	MR. ASHER: No.	20	relationship with Philips for a period of time after
21	BY MS. COLUMBIA:	21	Philips bought Voice Control Systems?
22	Q. It's okay with me. Did he tell you not to	22	A. Yes.
23	make jokes?	23	Q. What was your employment relationship with
24	A. No.	24	Philips after Philips bought Voice Control Systems?
	Page 31		Page 33
1	Q. You mentioned Dr. Helms; what was his role	1	A. I had several roles. One was the
2	at Voice Control Systems in the late 1980s?	2	development organization reported to me, which
3	A. I'm pausing because I can't even remember	3	consisted of the U.S. development organization and
4	when Gene left the company. But I think he was	4	the European - well, world-wide development. I was
5	there in the late '80s. From the time I got there,	5	the general manager of the Americas. I sat on the
6	I had Gene move out of, I think his title was	6	board of management; that's what I remember.
7	product development or something like that, into a	7	Q. And my question may not have been clear.
8	sales and marketing type role. Gene was very good,	8	But the answers you just gave relate to the Philips
9	very credible and, you know, had as much experience	9	Speech Recognition Systems entity or to Philips NV,
10	as anyone else in the company in speech recognition.	10	the big organization?

Q. Okay.

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11 12 A. He had some projects in which he was technically involved, but primarily I had him as our 13 sales person, probably our best one. 14

Q. Okay. So I may have asked you the wrong 16 question before. I asked you who your first hire was. Is it fairer to say that what you really did was move Dr. Helms into a more sales oriented position as you moved into the area of more sales products?

21 A. That was certainly my intention. Gene didn't go willingly. But he was real good. 22

Q. Do you know where he is today, either where he's living or working?

11 A. No. This was Philips Speech Processing.

And I have – it's a very complex corporate. I'm

speaking in a non-technical sense, because somehow

there's Phillip North America and blah, blah, blah,

blah. But if you took the corporate shells out, so

16 to speak --

17 Q. Yeah.

18 A. - and you looked at it as a business unit

19 rather than a corporation.

20 Q. A legal unit?

21 A. Yeah. That was the context of my answers.

Q. Okay. And I presume some chunk of the

23 Philips Speech Processing unit was the same guys in

Dallas who had been Voice Control Systems employees,

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- 16 he started. After me.
- 17 O. In the late '80s sometime?
- 18 A. I don't know.
- 19 Q. Okay. I may have asked you this, but are
- 20 you aware of anyone else from the Voice Control days
- 21 who is now at ScanSoft in their voice recognition
- 22 business?
- 23 A. I really don't.
- Q. When you looked out and decided that the

- the time and I don't remember what the other one was
- 17 called. But it was a Southwestern Bell entity.
- in the state of th
- 18 There was one bell and one non-bell in every market.
- 19 Q. Okay. Who else?
- A. Those are the ones I remember.
- Q. As you sat back at the beginning
- 22 strategizing on this market and how to break into
- 23 this market or approach this market, what was the
- 24 strategy?

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- 1 had number dialing, meaning digits. It had
- 2 numeric memories, but I don't remember if it had
- 3 words like "home." I mean it would be stupid, yeah,
- 4 let's call ourselves. You know, it might have,
- 5 might not have; I just don't remember.
 - Q. Interesting. I was just about to ask you whether there was some Southwest Bell product that
- 8 did have a dial or key pad?

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- 9 A. It was a different division of Southwestern
- 10 Bell. I don't know the exact relationship, but it
- 11 really wasn't Southwestern Bell. It was sort of a
- 12 partner who Southwestern Bell let use the brand.
- 13 But they were out of Indianapolis and they were
- 14 pretty independent, very independent.
- Q. Okay. Turning ahead to 1999 and thePhilips acquisition, it appears to me, and you can
- 17 check this on the patents, that as part of that
- 18 acquisition, a Philips lawyer took over prosecution
- 19 of the family of patents that we've talked about.
- 20 Do you recall that?
- 21 A. Yeah.
- 22 Q. Okay. And the new lawyer's name was -
- 23 well, I guess there was a couple of them. But the
- 24 one listed on the patents is Daniel Piotrowski.

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- Q. Okay. After you left Philips -- why did
- 2 you leave Philips, actually?
- 3 A. They wanted me to move to Europe. They
- 4 offered me a position as general manager of the
- 5 whole division, of two-thirds of Philips Speech.
- 6 And unfortunately, it was based in Aachen, Germany
- 7 and my family was not ready to do that at that time.
 8 O. And remind me, sorry, what time of year in
- Q. And remind me, sorry, what time of year in 9 2000 you left, roughly?
- 10 A. I think it was the very end of the year,
- 11 like December 31st. I told them either A or B,
- 12 because we had talked about it for quite a while.
- 13 But --
- 14 Q. Okay. Since leaving Philips at the end of
- 15 2000, have you had any interaction with the Philips,
- 16 Philips patent attorney regarding this family of
- 17 patents?

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- 18 A. No.
- 19 MS. COLUMBIA: Take a five-minute break.
 - (Proceedings interrupted at 3:10 p.m. and
- 21 reconvened at 3:17 p.m.)
- 22 BY MS. COLUMBIA:
- 23 Q. Just a couple of additional things, Mr.
- 24 Foster. I asked you earlier this morning, I think I

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- 1 A. Piotrowski.
- 2 Q. Piotrowski. During the time after the
- 3 Philips acquisition, while you were still employed
- 4 by Philips Speech, did you have any involvement with
- 5 the Philips patent attorney in the prosecution of
- 6 the patents related to this family?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. What was your interaction; what was
- 9 your responsibility?
- 10 _ A. Generally speaking?
- 11 MR. ASHER: Yeah. You can answer, but I'll
- warn you again not to reveal attorney/client -
- 13 THE DEPONENT: First of all, we had to
- 14 explain it to them. Second of all, we had to
- 15 give them a copy, because Philips is a big
- 16 organization.
- 17 BY MS. COLUMBIA:
- 18 O. Yeah.
- 19 A. There were pending cases that we had to
- 20 brief them on and there was new material to file,
- 21 you know, that Judson would have gotten around to
- 22 sooner or later. But there was no reason for
- 23 outside patent counsel since it was inside of
- 24 Philips and since we were paying for it anyway.

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- 1 was talking about a specific development
- 2 agreement I think the one with Brite Voice, but
- 3 "I'm not sure if you really wanted to find that,
- 4 where would you look. And I believe you said at the
- 5 end of the VCS time period, you'd look in the CFO's
- 6 office.
- 7 A. Yeah.
- 8 Q. Is that true you testified with respect
- 9 to lot of things, that there would be development
- 10 agreements, license agreements and so forth. As of
- 11 the time you departed Philips Speech, where would
- II the time you departed rumps speech, where would
- 12 you have gone if you needed to pull out one of those
- 13 agreements and remind yourself what it said?
- 14 A. Yeah. She was the keeper of all the legal
- 15 documents.

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- Q. Did the CFO of Voice Control stay on in
- 17 some capacity in the Philips organization?
- 18 A. Yes.
 - Q. Was she CFO of that business division?
- 20 A. Well, of U.S., of our U.S. business unit.
 - Q. What was her name?
- 22 A. Kim Terry.
- 23 Q. Do you know whether she stayed on then
- 24 through the Philips time into the ScanSoft era?

Page 142 A. No. She left about a month after I did.

- 2 Q. Do you know who replaced her?
- 3 A. No.

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- O. We also talked a little bit at the very 4
- beginning of the day about development documents. I 5
- asked you about lab books and all of that. To the
- extent that stuff existed out of Dr. Schalk's lab or 7
- Mr. Bareis' work, where was the repository for that? 8
- 9 A. On the VAX.
- 10 Q. On the VAX?
- 11 A. Yeah. No, I mean, it was the whole
- 12 environment.
- Q. Okay. Do you know, when did you switch 13
- over from the VAX to a more modern system? 14
- A. You know, it's sort of like when did you 15
- change from a Mac to a computer. They hung onto 16
- that damn thing for much well -17
- O. Longer than they should. 18
- 19 A. I could have bought five offices worth of
- 20 Microsoft or Apple-based stuff for just what the
- maintenance agreements were costing us on that 21
- 22 thing, and there were three of them. I don't know.
- 23 Tom would probably know. I don't know.
- 24 O. Okay. But that was the only repository for

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- O. You mentioned I think you mentioned that to your knowledge ScanSoft closed the Dallas
- 3 office -

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- A. Yeah.
- Q. sometime in the last year. Do you know when that happened, roughly?
- 7 A. A year ago December. I mean, stages. But
- I think they finally, whoever was left finally
- 9 turned the lights out the end of '03.
 - Q. Okay. Do you keep in touch with Dr. Schalk or Mr. Bareis?
- A. Probably not as much as I should. I 12
- haven't talked to Tom in a year and a half probably. 13
 - Q. Have you talked to him at all since this
- lawsuit came up or any of the issues around it? 15
- A. Not the issues around it. I can't remember 16 if I talked to him. I don't even know when the 17
- 18 thing was filed.
- 19 Q. About this time last year.
- 20 A. No, I haven't talked to him since then that
- I recall. 21
- 22 O. How about Mr. Bareis?
 - A. I talk to him occasionally. He called me
- up to ask me some things, just about the business

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- sort of development stuff?
- A. Yeah. They were all into that stuff. You 2
- know, the technical, they were all (indicating).
- Q. Yeah. Okay. How about, you told me about
- the sort of sales stuff and I think you told me it
- was whatever was current, we tried to keep it
- 7 current on the shelf.
 - A. Right.

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- 9 Q. Was there any repository for publications
- 10 or historical history not being very long in this
- case, but a place where that kind of stuff was kept 11
- or a person who tried to keep track of that? 12
- 13 A. Well, either individually, on the VAX everybody had their own directories, or Kim. But 14
- more likely -- there was no marketing person to, you 15
- 16 know, kind of pull together and keep it,
- historically. Some of the articles, you know, were 17
- 18 stuck up there on that mailbox system to give out to
- 19 customers.
- 20 O. Okay.
- A. But we didn't have we just weren't big 21
- enough to have any kind of central filing system. 22
- 23 Q. Okay.
- A. Or even a distributed one. 24

- side of it, you know, do I have to do it, that kind
- of stuff. And I see him socially occasionally, two
- 3 or three times a year.
- Q. Have you had any conversations with him 4
- 5 about the lawsuit or the merits of the lawsuit or 6
 - the patents?
- 7 A. He – yeah, but very peripherally. Let me
- take that back. It was more about if he was coming
 - to Boston. We did not talk about any of the issues.
- 10 Q. Okay. How about any of the other sort of former Voice Control people. Have you had any 11
- conversations with them in the last year or so about 12
- the litigation or the merits or the patent? 13
- A. Not the merits. The patents. Kim Terry 14
- and I talk occasionally about the it's a valuable 15
- asset, the set of patents is a valuable asset. But
- 17 not about this. I mean, she knows I'm up here.
- 18 Q. Anybody else?
- A. No. I mean, I got a phone call once from 19
- Walt Teschner in fact, that might be how I found
- 21 out about it - who runs an industry trade
- publication. But he was just hey, what do you
- 23 think, you know. And I didn't know anything about
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24 A. I worked at a company called Scott	24		~ +	A. I Worked at a company called ocott

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4	Page 30	1	Page 32 I've now handed him columns 11 through
1	to answer that question. BY MR. FRANK:	2	14 so that he belatedly has the full
3	Q. Let me ask, sir, was the document to	3	patent.
4	which you referenced prepared in anticipation	4	BY MR. FRANK:
5	of this lawsuit?	5	Q. Let me direct your attention, if I
6	A. I don't recall the origin of the	6	could, to column 12 of the '966 patent, and in
7	document.	7	particular, to claim one, which appears
8	Q. Was it prepared prior to the	8	beginning at line 21 of column 12. I take it
9	commencement of this lawsuit?	9	you've studied claim one in the past?
10	A. Yes.	10	A. Yes.
11	Q. How long prior to the commencement of	11	Q. What, as you understand it, is the
12	this lawsuit was it prepared?	12	invention of claim one?
13	A. I don't recall precisely.	13	A. A system allowing - within a mobile
14	Q. Okay. Is it fair to describe the	14	telecommunications system, allowing a user to
15	document as an analysis, among other things, of	15	either dial a telephone number by speaking a
16	the question whether the whether one or more	16	telephone number or by speaking a command. And
17	products of Voice Signal Technologies infringed	17	this command can be attached to a key word with
18	the '966 patent? Yes or no?	18	a previously stored telephone number to allow
19	A. Yes.	19	the user to dial by key word, such as "home" or
20	Q. Okay. And is it fair, does the	20	"office" or something like that.
21	document also contain an analysis of the	21	Q. Who, as you understand it, conceived
22	validity of the claims of the '966 patent as	22	that invention; who first conceived of that
23	construed by counsel? Yes or no?	23	invention?
24	A. Yes.	24	A. Well, the combination of Tom Schalk,
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1	Q. Okay. And was that analysis relied	1	Bern Bareis and Pete Foster.
2	upon in some way by ScanSoft in determining	2	Q. When was that conception?
3	whether to sue Voice Signal Technologies?	3	MR. ASHER: Objection.
4	#A. Yes.	4	THE DEPONENT: I'm sorry. I don't know
5	MR. FRANK: I will ask that the	5	the exact date.
6	analysis be produced.	6	BY MR. FRANK:
7	MR. ASHER: I'll take it under	7	Q. Do you know the approximate date?
8	advisement. But we'd ask that you submit	8	A. In the early 1990s.
9	any request for documents to us in writing	9	Q. Have you done anything to determine the
10	and we'll respond appropriately.	10	date of conception of the invention claimed in
11	BY MR. FRANK:	11	the '966 patent?
12	Q. You have the '966 patent in front of	12	A. No.
13	you, sir?	13	Q. Have you consulted any records in an
14	A. Yes.	14	effort to determine when that conception took
15	Q. Let me direct your attention, if I	15	place?
16	could, to claim one of that document.	16	A. I did review the prosecution history,
17	MR. FRANK: And I have made an error.	17	which, by the way, I neglected to mention
18	Let's go off the record.	18	before. I forgot.
19	(Off-the-record discussion held.)	19	Q. Thank you.
20	(Proceedings briefly interrupted.)	20	A. But I didn't look at the exact date
21	MR. FRANK: The record should show that	1	other than mentioned in the prosecution
22	I mistakenly handed Mr. Phillips a copy of	22	history.
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the '966 patent without columns 11 through

Q. Did you, apart from looking at the

24 prosecution history - did you find in the

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1	prosecution history anything that helped you to	1	invention of claim one or any other claim in
2	identify the date of conception of the	2	the '966 patent?
3	invention of claim one?	3	A. No.
4	A. I did not look for the date of	4	Q. Who at ScanSoft is the person of whom
5	conception.	5	you would make inquiry had you attempted to
6	Q. Okay. Did you do anything else to	6	determine the conception date or facts relating
7	identify or determine the date of the	7	to the conception of the invention of any of
8	conception of the invention in claim one?	8	the claims of '966?
9	A. No.	9	A. My guess is that that knowledge does
10	Q. What did Mr. Schalk conceive of as	10	not exist within ScanSoft.
11	distinguished from Mr. Bareis or Mr. Foster?	11	Q. Did you – well, with respect, the
12	MR. ASHER: Objection.	12	answer my guess is doesn't
13	THE DEPONENT: I don't know.	13	A. Fine.
14	BY MR. FRANK:	14	Q carry us far enough. I take it you
15	Q. What did Mr. Foster conceive as	15	have not done anything to find out whether that
16	distinguished from that which was conceived by	16	information exists within ScanSoft; is that
17	Mr. Schalk or Mr. Bareis?	17	correct?
18	MR. ASHER: Objection.	18	A. That's right.
19	BY MR. FRANK:	19	Q. Okay. Now, is there anyone within
20	Q. If anything?	20	ScanSoft of whom you would make inquiry in
21	A. I don't know.	21	order to determine whether your guess was
22	Q. Same question for Mr. Bareis.	22	factual or not?
23	MR. ASHER: Objection.	23	A. Richard Wong.
24	THE DEPONENT: I don't know.	24	Q. Mr. Wong is a lawyer?
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1	BY MR. FRANK:	1	A. Yes.
2	"Q. Okay. What was - was the entire	2	Q. Is there anyone presently employed by
3	invention conceived of at the same time or were	3	ScanSoft who was employed by Voice Control
4	elements of the conception subsequent to other	4	Systems at or about the time of the conception
5	elements?	5	of any invention or alleged invention claimed
6	MR. ASHER: Objection.	6	in the '966 patent?
7	THE DEPONENT: I don't know.	7	MR. ASHER: Objection.
8	BY MR. FRANK:	8	THE DEPONENT: Not that I know of.
9	Q. Is there any documentary evidence of	9	BY MR. FRANK:
10	which you are aware that identifies either the	10	 Q. Who participated in the development or
11	time of or the fact of the conception, other	11	reduction to practice of the of any
12	than the patent, itself, or the patent	12	invention claimed in the '966 patent?
13	application, itself?	13	MR. ASHER: Objection.
14	A. I don't have knowledge of such	14	THE DEPONENT: I don't know.
15	documentation.	15	BY MR. FRANK:
16	Q. Have you done anything to look for that	16	 Q. Did you make any effort to determine
17	documentation?	17	who participated in the - in efforts to
18	A. No, i haven't.	18	develop or to reduce to practice any invention
19	Q. Has anyone at ScanSoft done anything to	19	claimed in the '966 patent?
20	look for that documentation?	20	A. No.
21	A. I don't know.	21	Q. Has anyone at ScanSoft made any such
22	 Q. Have you made inquiry to find out 	22	effort?
100	whether envers at CoanCaft lasted for	00	A I don't know

A. I don't know.

Q. Have you done anything to determine

23 whether anyone at ScanSoft looked for

24 documentation relating to the conception of the 24

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1	whether anyone at ScanSoft has made any such	1	question?
2	effort?	2	(The two preceding questions were read
3	A. No.	3	by the stenographer.)
4	Q. Does any document exist within ScanSoft	4	THE DEPONENT: So John O'Toole, the
5	that would that relates to the development	5	attorney, internal lawyer, who was doing
6	or reduction to practice of any invention	6	the document discovery, when he sent an
7	claimed in the '966 patent?	7	e-mail out to the set of people for which
8	A. I don't know.	8	he was looking for documents, he included
9	 Q. Have you done anything to determine 	9	in that e-mail the fact that they need to
10	whether any document, either paper document or	10	produce all documents and need to be very
11	electronic document, exists that relates to the	11	careful not to destroy any documents.
12	development or reduction to practice of any	12	BY MR. FRANK:
13	invention claimed in the '966 patent?	13	Q. When was that message sent?
14	A. No.	14	 I don't remember the date.
15	Q. What was the first of whom would you	15	Q. How long after the commencement of this
16	make inquiry to determine whether any such	16	action was that sent?
17	document exists?	17	A. It was during the document discovery.
18	A. Richard Wong.	18	Q. Okay. At the time when ScanSoft
19	Q. Were documents relating to the	19	received the legal opinion from Bromberg and
20	conception or reduction to practice of the	20	Sunstein, was anything done to assure that
21	inventions claimed in the '966 patent destroyed	21	documents relating to the conception or
22	by ScanSoft at any time after the Philips'	22	reduction to practice of any invention or
23	transaction?	23	alleged invention claimed in the '966 patent
24	A. I don't know.	24	were not destroyed?
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1	Page 39 Q. Okay. Have you made any effort to	1	Page 41 A. I don't know.
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2 3 4 5 6 7 8	Q. Okay. Have you made any effort to determine whether those documents were destroyed by ScanSoft after the Philips' transaction? A. No. Q. Okay. Were any of those documents destroyed after the commencement of this action?	2 3 4 5 6 7 8	A. I don't know. Q. Are you aware of any such steps taken at that time? A. No, other than a general practice to not destroy documents. Q. What is the date of the Bromberg and Sunstein opinion? A. I don't know.
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Page 42 Q. So to summarize, is it fair to say that 1 2 you do not know when the invention of the '966 3 patent -- withdrawn. 4 Is it fair to say that you do not know 5

when the invention of claim one of the '966 patent was first conceived or reduced to 6 practice? 7

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Yes, that is correct?

10 A. Yes, that is correct.

11 Q. Okay. And is it also correct that to

12 the best of your knowledge, after reasonable

inquiry, no one within ScanSoft knows when the 13 14 invention was conceived or reduced to practice?

15 A. No. I did not inquire.

16 Q. Okay. Did you do anything to find out 17 when the invention was conceived or reduced to practice, the invention or alleged invention of

19 claim one?

20 A. No.

21 Q. Who within ScanSoft would have - do 22 you know whether anyone within ScanSoft has ever attempted to determine whether - when the

invention of claim one was conceived or reduced

Page 44 Q. When was the first product that embodied -- was a product ever created which embodied the invention of claim one of the '966 patent?

A. I don't know.

MR. FRANK: I give notice that ScanSoft will be bound by the answers that are being given by this witness. And it has certain obligations under Rule 30(b)(6) and I think it's -- I'm entitled to assume that those obligations have been met and that these answers are being given by the corporation, not just by this witness, and that therefore, the corporation is bound by the answers that this witness is giving.

You don't have to agree or disagree with that. I simply want on the record that that's our position.

19 BY MR. FRANK:

20 Q. Has any product been marked with the 21 number of the '966 patent, that is, with a 22 reference to the '966 patent?

A. I don't believe so.

Q. What products did Voice Control Systems

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A. I don't know.

MR. FRANK: Off the record. (Off-the-record discussion held.)

MR. FRANK: It's my view that ScanSoft has not complied with its obligations under Rule 30(b)(6) to make reasonable inquiry with respect to the topics as to which this witness was identified as the 30(b)(6)

witness.

And I request that ScanSoft either identify another witness or acknowledge expressly that the relevant knowledge with respect to the conception and reduction to practice of the invention of the '966 patent does not exist within ScanSoft.

MR. ASHER: Again, we'll attempt to answer your question and appreciate if you

19 would send that in a letter.

20 BY MR. FRANK:

21 Q. What was the first product that 22 embodied the invention of claim one of the '966 23 patent?

24 A. I don't know.

Page 45 sell to anyone at any time which were covered 1 2

by any of the claims of the '966 patent?

MR. ASHER: Objection.

4. THE DEPONENT: So I don't know the details of all of the historic Voice

6 Control Systems' products. They certainly 7 included dialing products built into phones

8 and dialing products deployed in networks. 9 I did not do the analysis to see whether

10 those products embodied these claims.

BY MR. FRANK: 11

Q. Is ScanSoft presently aware of any 12 13 product that Voice Control Systems sold that embodied the alleged invention of claim one of 14

the - of the '966 patent? 15

16 A. No.

17 Q. Has -- did Philips sell any product

that embodied the invention of claim one of the 18

19 '966 patent?

A. Again, Philips had built various 20 21 products that are in this general space of

voice-activated dialing; whether those specific 22

products embodied these claims, I don't know. 23 24

Q. Did Voice Control Systems sell any

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

SCANSOFT, INC.,

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C.A. No. 04-10353-PBS

VOICE SIGNAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,

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ROTH, JONATHAN P. YAMRON, and

MANFRED G. GRABHERR,

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NOTICE OF RULE 30(b)(6) DEPOSITION OF SCANSOFT, INC.

Please take notice that, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(b)(6), defendant and counterclaim plaintiff Voice Signal Technologies, Inc. will take the deposition upon oral examination of plaintiff and counterclaim defendant ScanSoft, Inc. ("ScanSoft") on February 10, 2005 beginning at 10:00 a.m. The deposition shall be conducted at the offices of Choate, Hall & Stewart, 33rd Floor, Exchange Place, Boston, Massachusetts 02109, before an official authorized by law to administer oaths. The deposition shall be recorded by stenographic means and shall continue through the day until completed.

Please take further notice that, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(b)(6), ScanSoft shall designate to testify concerning each of the matters set forth in the attached **Schedule A** one or more of its officers, directors, managing agents or other persons who consent to testify on its behalf.

VOICE SIGNAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

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SCHEDULE A

DEFINITIONS

- The definitions set forth in Local Rule 26.5(C) and in 35 U.S.C. § 100 are deemed 1. incorporated herein by reference.
 - "And" and "or" shall, where the context permits, be construed to mean "and/or." 2.
- "ScanSoft" or "plaintiff" refers to the plaintiff, ScanSoft, Inc., and to its officers, 3. directors, employees, agents, attorneys, representatives, partners, corporate parents, subsidiaries, divisions, and/or affiliates, to the full extent set forth in Local Rule 26.5(C)(5).
- "VCS" refers to Voice Control Systems, Inc., and to its officers, directors, 4. employees, agents, attorneys, representatives, partners, corporate parents, subsidiaries, divisions, and/or affiliates, to the full extent set forth in Local Rule 26.5(C)(5).
 - "966 patent" means United States Patent No. 6,501,966. 5.

SUBJECT MATTERS OF DEPOSITION

- The timing of and the reasons for the closing of ScanSoft's office (formerly 1. VCS's office) in Dallas, Texas, and the disposition of all documents that were stored or located within that office.
- ScanSoft's efforts to respond to Defendants' First Set of Document Requests to 2. Plaintiff served on May 26, 2004, including ScanSoft's efforts to locate responsive documents.
- The location or disposition of all VCS documents relating to the '966 patent, or 3. the conception, development, or reduction to practice of subject matter disclosed or claimed in the '966 patent, or the public use, sale or offer for sale of any product or process described or claimed in the '966 patent.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

SCANSOFT, INC.	<u> </u>
Plaintiff,)
v.) Civil Action No. 04-10353 PBS
VOICE SIGNAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC., LAURENCE S. GILLICK, ROBERT S. ROTH, JONATHAN P. YAMRON, and MANFRED G. GRABHERR))))
Defendants.)))

OBJECTIONS TO SECOND NOTICE OF RULE 30(b)(6) DEPOSITION OF SCANSOFT, INC.

Pursuant to the applicable Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Local Rules, plaintiff ScanSoft, Inc. ("ScanSoft") responds and objects as follows to the Second Notice of Rule 30(b)(6) Deposition of ScanSoft, Inc. (the "Second Notice") and accompanying "Subject Matters for Deposition" served on ScanSoft by Voice Signal Technologies, Inc. ("VST") on February 1, 2005.

GENERAL OBJECTIONS

- 1. ScanSoft objects to the subject matters for deposition to the extent that they seek to impose discovery obligations beyond the scope of the applicable provisions of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
- ScanSoft objects to the subject matters for deposition to the extent that they seek 2. information protected from discovery by the attorney-client privilege, the work product doctrine, Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(b), and any other applicable privilege or immunity.

- 3. ScanSoft objects to the subject matters for deposition to the extent that they are vague, ambiguous, overly broad, unduly burdensome, oppressive, unreasonably cumulative, duplicative, meant only to harass ScanSoft, irrelevant to the subject matter of this action, outside the scope of permissible discovery, and/or unlikely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.
- ScanSoft objects to the subject matters for deposition to the extent that they 4. attempt to require ScanSoft to disclose information not within ScanSoft's possession, custody, or control.
- The preceding objections apply to all of the subjects for deposition listed in 5. Schedule A of the Subpoena.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIONS AND RESPONSES

In response to the numbered paragraphs set forth in Schedule A of the Second Notice, ScanSoft hereby makes the following specific objections and designations:

- ScanSoft designates Jeanne McCann to testify as to the facts currently known to 1. ScanSoft regarding this subject matter for deposition.
- ScanSoft objects to this subject matter for deposition as inappropriate and seeking 2. information protected by the attorney work product doctrine and/or attorney client privilege.
- ScanSoft designates Jeanne McCann to testify as to the facts currently known to 3. ScanSoft regarding this subject matter for deposition.

Dated: February 14, 2005

SCANSOFT, INC., By its attorneys,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the above document was served upon counsel for the defendants, Paul Bonanno, Esq., Choate, Hall & Stewart, 53 State Street, Boston, MA 02109-2804 by facsimile on the above date.

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Re ScanSoft, Inc. v. Voice Signal Technologies, Inc., et al., Docket No. 04-10353(PBS) Our File 2639/509

Dear Paul:

Enclosed, please find objections to the document subpoena, dated February 1, 2005, seeking the production of documents by Mr. Fadi Kaake.

As for the scheduling of Mr. Kaake's deposition, Mr. Kaake is traveling on February 14, 2005 and is therefore unavailable on that date. We are coordinating with Mr. Kaake and will propose an alternative date shortly.

Sincerely,

Jack C. Schecter

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VIA FACSIMILE AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

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Re ScanSoft, Inc. v. Voice Signal Technologies, Inc., et al., Docket No. 04-10353(PBS)
Our File 2639/509

Dear Paul:

I write in response to your letter of February 25, 2005 regarding the Samsung VGA 1000 cell phone purchased by Michael Phillips and regarding the scheduling of depositions..

First, with respect to Mr. Phillips' VGA 1000 cell phone, ScanSoft is currently investigating whether any documents relating to Mr. Phillips' purchase of the VGA 1000 cell phone exist. To the extent such documents do exist and are non-privileged, they will be produced in response to Voice Signal's document request nos. 22, 23 and 27.

Second, ScanSoft is working with Mr. Kaake and Ms. McCann to determine their availability in response to Voice Signal's deposition notices. ScanSoft will work cooperatively with Voice Signal to make these witnesses available for deposition in conjunction with Voice Signal's reciprocal efforts to arrange dates certain for the depositions of the witnesses that ScanSoft has noticed, including Messrs. Gillick, Roth (Robert), Yamron, Grabherr, Pantzarr, Lazay, and Roth (Dan). Of course, in order to avoid having to recall the deponents, as ScanSoft will be forced to do with both Mr. Cohen and Voice Signal's Rule 30(b)(6) designee, the depositions of the individuals noticed by ScanSoft will have to be scheduled for dates following a full and complete response by Voice Signal to ScanSoft's document requests.

Paul Bonanno, Esq. Choate, Hall & Stewart March 3, 2005 Page 2

Please let me know when Voice Signal will provide the discovery called for in ScanSoft's outstanding document requests and as required by the Court's Orders, and please provide suggested dates for the depositions noticed up to this point.

Sincerely,

Jack C. Schecter

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